



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application:

PUCCI, Bernard et al.

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Examiner: LEAVITT, Marie Gomez

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Title: **NOVEL SURFACTANTS AND APPLICATIONS THEREOF**

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION AND SPECIES ELECTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Commissioner:

Responsive to the Restriction Requirement of September 23, 2009, Applicants provisionally elect claims 23-39, drawn to a compound as set forth in formula (III)(Group I), with traverse.

Further, Applicants provisionally elect the species (A1) defined by claim 29, wherein the substituents are defined as follows: